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 Serial No./Docket No.: 09/815,420 44471/255858
 Filed: 03/22/01

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1. PTO/SB/21 – Transmittal form;
2. PTO/SB/17 – Fee Transmittal for FY2005;
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	First Named Inventor	Motohisa HIRANO et al.
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Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
40	37	3 x 18	54
5	3	2 x 88	176

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1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20	
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1252 430	2252 215	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 980	2253 490	Extension for reply within third month	
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1403 300	2403 150	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
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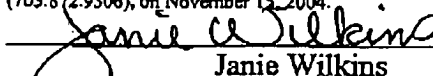
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) Art Unit: 2144
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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper.